[perform analysis of said reaction.]



Claims 2-92 canceled.



- 93. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 1, wherein said <u>product</u> <u>analysis chamber</u> [means for analysis] is <u>configured to perform one or more analyses</u> selected from [the] <u>a</u> group consisting of: sequencing of target species, DNA fingerprinting, physical mapping of target species, DNA library analysis, electrochemical detection, and hybridization detection.
- 94. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 1, wherein <u>at least one</u> reactant chamber is configured to contain a [said] sample [is] selected from [the] <u>a</u> group consisting of: intact cells, fixed cells, lysed cells, microorganism, and tissue.
- 95. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 94, wherein <u>at least one</u> reactant chamber is configured to contain a sample [preparation yields] <u>comprising</u> a specific nucleic acid target molecule.
- 96. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 1, wherein <u>at least one</u> reactant chamber is configured to contain a [said] sample [preparation includes sorting] comprising specific cell types.
- 97. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 1, wherein said <u>reaction and</u> reactant chambers are constructed on a single substrate.
- 98. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 1, wherein <u>the temperature</u> <u>controller is configured to maintain</u> said reaction [is controlled] at a constant temperature.
- 99. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 98, wherein said reaction <u>chamber</u> is configured to contain an in vitro transcription reaction.

- 100. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 1, wherein <u>the temperature</u> controller is configured to thermally cycle said reaction [is controlled by thermal cycling].
- 101. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 100, wherein said reaction chamber is configured to contain a chain reaction.
 - 102. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 101, wherein said reaction <u>chamber</u> is <u>configured to contain</u> a polymerase chain reaction.
 - 103. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 101, wherein said reaction <u>chamber</u> is <u>configured to contain</u> a ligase chain reaction.
 - 104. (Amended) An <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] for controlling [at least one] <u>a</u> chemical reaction, comprising:
 - a) an array of chambers [for containment of the reaction] including:

 [at least one] a reaction chamber configured to contain a

 chemical reaction [for preparing a sample for use in said reactions];

 at least one reactant chamber configured to receive one or

 more reactants [for adding or removing reagents involved in said reactions];

 at least one channel interconnecting said reaction and reactant chambers;
 - a transferring mechanism coupled to said <u>reaction and reactant</u> chambers by way of said channel;
 - b) a heater configured to heat reactants in the reaction chamber;
 - [b)] c) a temperature controller coupled to the heater and configured to control the temperature of a reaction in the reaction chamber [said instrument]; and
 - [c)] d) a product analysis chamber coupled to the reaction chamber and adapted to analyze reaction products contained in the product analysis chamber. [at least one chamber for analysis of products of said at least one chemical reaction.]

105. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 104, wherein said <u>product</u> <u>analysis chamber</u> [means for analysis] is <u>configured to perform one or more analyses</u> selected from the group consisting of: sequencing of target species, DNA fingerprinting, physical mapping of target species, DNA library analysis, electrochemical detection, and hybridization detection.

- 106. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 104 in which said <u>product</u> analysis chamber [means for analysis] utilizes a predetermined array of oligonucleotides.
- 107. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 106 in which said <u>product</u> analysis chamber is configured to use the array of oligonucleotides [in used] in <u>performing</u> hybridization techniques.
- 108. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 104, wherein said <u>product</u> analysis chamber [means for analysis] is configured to purify [includes purification of] said reaction products.
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- 111. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 104, wherein <u>at least one</u> reactant chamber is configured to contain a [said] sample [is] selected from [the] <u>a</u> group consisting of: intact cells, fixed cells, lysed cells, microorganism, and tissue.
- 112. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 111, wherein <u>at least one</u> reactant chamber is configure to contain a sample [preparation yields] <u>comprising</u> a specific nucleic acid target molecule.
- 113. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 104, wherein <u>at least one reactant chamber is configured to contain a [said] sample [preparation includes sorting] comprising specific cell types.</u>
 - 114. (Amended) The apparatus [instrument] of claim 104, wherein said reaction

and reactant chambers are constructed on a single substrate.

115. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 104, wherein <u>the</u> temperature controller is configured to maintain said reaction [is controlled] at a constant temperature.

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- 117. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 104, wherein <u>the</u> <u>temperature controller is configured to thermally cycle</u> said reaction [is controlled by thermal cycling].
- 118. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 117, wherein said reaction <u>chamber</u> is <u>configured to contain</u> a chain reaction.
- 119. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 118, wherein said reaction <u>chamber</u> is <u>configured to contain</u> a polymerase chain reaction.
- 120. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of claim 118, wherein said reaction <u>chamber</u> is <u>configured to contain</u> ligase chain reaction.
- 121. (Amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [instrument] of any of claim 113-120, wherein <u>at</u> least one reactant chamber is configured to contain [the reagents include] labeled primers for subsequent identification of reaction products.

Add the following new claims.



- 122. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the array of chambers and the heater are integrated on a single substrate.
- 123. The apparatus of claim 104, wherein the array of chambers and the heater are integrated on a single substrate.